

State Auditor Released Paramedic Reimbursements Agreed-Upon Procedures Report

Dover, Del. – State Auditor, R. Thomas Wagner, Jr., released the Paramedic Reimbursements Agreed-Upon Procedures report for State Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2013 and 2014. Overall, the outcome was very favorable and only minor findings were identified. As in previous years, findings included late budget submission documents from the counties that did not contain all of the required information. In addition, one reimbursement package out of six tested was missing a Line Item Summary of Expenditures, and another reimbursement package was missing a statement certifying the expenditures submitted were for direct operating expenses. Also, out of 120 expenditures tested, two expenditures which were reimbursed for \$5,962 were not adequately supported. For complete details, see the report at: [Paramedics AUP](#)

Although Paramedic units in Delaware are a part of county government, each county receives 30% of total operational costs for paramedic services on a reimbursement basis from the State of Delaware. These funds are provided through the annual Grant-In-Aid Bill and are distributed by the Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS). OEMS is responsible for the coordination of training, certification, financing, and oversight of the State's paramedic system.

The State of Delaware contributed \$9,569,945 and \$7,845,357 in fiscal years 2013 and 2014, respectively, toward the operational costs of the Paramedic units. Paramedic units provide Advanced Life Support services for ill and trauma patients, medical support at large events, community outreach and educational programs, emergency disaster preparedness, and

medical support to law enforcement activities. Auditor Wagner extends his sincere appreciation to the men and women providing these services to their communities.

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